

BECKER ATTORNEYS BEATEN AT OPENING

New York Police Lieutenant
Loses All Motions at Start of
Second Trial.

NEW YORK, May 6.—Absolute defeat for attorneys representing Charles Becker, former police lieutenant, on his second trial here for plotting the murder of Herman Rosenthal, met every effort they put forth today to delay the trial, obtain a change of venue, and to have District Attorney Charles Whitman committed for contempt of court. During the session today, however, the court ruled against the attorneys. They are: F. Meredith Blagden, bond broker, foreman; W. D. Walton, advertising man.

After the two jurors had been sent out under guard for luncheon and the talesmen had left the courtroom, Supreme Court Justice Seabury ruled on the applications of W. Bourke Cockran, of Becker's counsel, that District Attorney Whitman be adjudged in contempt of court for having given out certain newspaper stories which, Cockran claimed were prejudicial to Becker.

Manton Opens Attack.
Manton's attack on the district attorney came as soon as court convened. Before a room filled with talesmen and with Mrs. Becker the only woman present, the attorney for the man accused of plotting Rosenthal's death opened his batteries.

"Charles Becker to the bar!" thundered the court clerk just after Justice Seabury was seated, and through a door at the rear of the court room came the brawny figure of the man who was once the czar of New York's underworld.

Becker's face was in absolute repose, as, guarded by only one policeman, he strode to the front of the room. He had his counsel, Martin T. Manton, and Bourke Cockran, with a quick smile and sat down.

Cockran then arose and addressed the court with a demand that District Attorney Whitman be adjudged in contempt of court for having inspired newspaper stories prejudicial to the defense. Cockran, on being required to do so, put his demand in the form of a motion, which the court promptly promised to pass on at 1 o'clock.

Cockran's motion was based on newspaper reports, to the effect that Carl Dreiser, a confessed perjurer, had conspired with John Becker, the defendant's brother, in such a way as to prejudice Becker's case. Cockran produced affidavits by newspaper men in support of his position and was waiting eloquent when restrained by the court.

Whitman Makes Reply.
Whitman, who then arose to address the court, declared that he had given out nothing improper. He said Becker had had opportunity to give out statements from both the Toms and from Sing Sing, and that, as a matter of fact, he had given out statements, some of which were distinctly prejudicial to the case of the people.

After Justice Seabury's decision to rule on the contempt question later, Cockran moved for a change of venue. This request Justice Seabury promptly denied. Cockran then asked for a postponement on the grounds of popular prejudice. To this Justice Seabury replied that a postponement would be granted in no circumstances, and the examination of talesmen began.

William M. Murdoch, the first talesman called, was examined by Whitman. Only a few words were needed to show that Murdoch was an unsatisfactory witness, and he was excused.

During Murdoch's examination Becker motioned to his wife, who came to a seat near him. She was dressed entirely in black, and her face showed pain and grief.

Hector Rosenfeld, a manufacturer, was the second talesman called. After Rosenfeld had been challenged by the defense, Matthew W. Webb, was excused because he had known Becker, and D. W. Cahill, because he had discussed the case. Several others were either challenged or excused for cause.

The tenth called, Meredith Blagden, a bond broker, was accepted, and will be the foreman of the jury. He is a Harvard graduate of 1902, a married man having had an opinion, but said he could decide the case on the evidence presented.

Comparatively few questions were asked talesmen by the prosecution, but each was closely questioned by the defense as to acquaintance with the Rosenthal family, prejudice against the police and other points which may be at issue in the trial.

A new witness in the case was reported to have been uncovered today the person of Walter Washington, a negro porter, employed in Bridge View, a rooming house, who is said to be ready to swear that he saw Webster, Rose, Valon, and Becker in conference at the time Rosenthal's murder is said to have been finally planned.

**CONGRESS PLANS TO
ADJOURN ON JULY 10**
Word Is Passed Down the Line
by Leaders After White
House Conference.

Democratic leaders in the Senate, following a conference today with President Wilson, passed the word down the line that Congress must adjourn not later than July 10. The adjournment will be taken whether the Senate passes on the Administration's anti-trust program or not. According to Senator Kern of Indiana, chairman of the Democratic caucus, who was present at the conference today, but no thing is certain; namely, that the adjournment will be taken at the time specified.

In the conference with the President were Senators Kern, Hoke Smith of Georgia, and O'Gorman of New York. Mr. Kern told the President that he thought the Senate would reach a vote on the canal tolls repeal bill in about two weeks. After the repeal measure has passed the upper house, the Senate will be in position to take up the trust program and rural credits.

Whether these measures could go through, the Senators at the conference did not venture an opinion when they left the White House. They are believed to have called the attention of the President to the fact that there are wide differences of opinion in the Senate on both propositions. Proposed debate on either subject could carry the session well into the summer.

The Senators are understood to have called the President's attention to the fact that, with the Congressional campaign coming on, it is essential for members of the Senate and House to get back home and "mend their fences."

Roosevelt to Sail For U. S. Tomorrow

Reception and Luncheon at Governor's Palace Given
in Colonel's Honor at Para—21,000 Natural
History Specimens Collected.

PARA, Brazil, May 6.—Bronzed and hearty after his adventures in the wilds of the Duvida River country, Colonel Roosevelt and members of his party arranged today to visit the principal places of interest in the city and attend a reception and luncheon at the governor's palace.

Colonel Roosevelt still is a little lame from the effects of an abscess which developed on his leg while he was in the wilds, but, he declared with a laugh, "Otherwise I am all right, and even that will soon be gone."

The Roosevelt party will go aboard the Booth liner Aidan and tomorrow start for New York, where the Aidan will arrive about May 19. COLLECT 21,000 SPECIMENS.

Colonel Roosevelt and Kermit Roosevelt, with George K. Cherry, a representative of the Museum of Natural History at New York, arrived here this afternoon.

The colonel talked freely about his trip, which was full of accidents. The expedition was a success, not only for the purpose undertaken by the Museum of Natural History, there having been collected 21,000 birds and animals, but because of the geographical work in exploring an unknown river, undertaken at the suggestion and through the generous co-operation of the Brazilian government.

Colonel Roosevelt said that in conjunction with Colonel Rondon, his Brazilian associate, he had discovered a river nearly 1,000 miles long, of which the existence was not even hinted at in any map. He added:

"It takes its rise at a high upland in west Mota Grosso, north of the town of Greenwell. We embarked in a canoe at latitude 10 degrees 45 minutes west, 60:15 west. The river runs with many doublings and twistings almost due north, the River Madeira entering about 6:30 south latitude.

River Size of Hudson.
"The Madeira is the biggest affluent of the Amazon, and the newly discovered river is the biggest affluent of the Madeira. Its course is full of rapids and falls.

"Speaking roughly in point of volume it is equal to the Rhone or the Hudson and it is impossible to navigate it. At about 7 degrees 30 minutes, south latitude, it joins another river practically the same size.

The party consisted of myself, Kermit, Cherry, and the Brazilian army officers—captain men—Rondon, Lyra, Dr. Cajalera, and paddlers. "From latitude 11 degrees 48 minutes to 10 degrees 45 minutes, our course was almost unbroken, save by rapids. "Leaving civilization behind, we entered this part of the river on February 27, during six weeks' working the rapids, slugging our way down, and making no more than a couple of miles a day, sometimes cutting land through the jungle, carrying canoes on our shoulders, and sometimes shooting rapids with great risk of life.

Native Paddler Drowned.
"One paddler was drowned and another murdered by his comrade, from whom he stole food. "Five of the seven canoes were lost and we built others instead. Working our way forward at half rations, carrying only what was necessary, leaving behind even rifles, food, and clothes on one occasion, but saving the canoe."

Colonel Roosevelt was wounded in the leg and Dr. Cajalera was obliged to perform an operation, due to an abscess. He traveled the last stages of his journey lying down in a canoe under the tropical heat, and was obliged to walk sometimes, reaching Manaus on April 25.

Colonel Rondon was nearly killed by unseen Indians, and was saved by his dog.

**FIND 27 SURVIVORS
OF BURNED VESSEL**
100,000 VISITORS
FILL JACKSONVILLE

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., May 6.—One hundred thousand visitors here today welcomed the shattered ranks of the Confederate veterans of the civil war, who are holding their annual reunion in this city.

But despite the cheers, flags and greetings, three thousand are said to be without place to sleep. Many today reported that they walked the streets all last night. When these reports came to headquarters the arrangement committee rushed from one end of Jacksonville to another renting vacant houses in which to shelter the old soldiers tonight.

At the first meeting of the veterans today the keys of the city were turned over to General Young, commander-in-chief of the soldiers, by Mayor Swearington. A few minutes later Governor Trammell welcomed them to the State. Congressman Frank Clark welcomed them on behalf of the Confederate camps. General Young replied accepting the hospitality of the city and the expressions of welcome on behalf of the Southern heroes.

A strong campaign for commander is already under way. Four candidates are in the field: Major General Robertson, Major General Crawford, of Texas; Lieutenant General Z. N. Veazant, of Fort Worth, Texas; General D. H. Bailey, of McAllister, Okla., and General Young, of Kentucky.

May Rally Is Planned.
With a number of prominent speakers listed, the Holy Name Society of Holy Trinity Church, Georgetown, announces a May rally to be held tomorrow night in Trinity Hall. Congressman Kinkaid, of New Jersey; President Schaefer, of the Diocesan Association; Father Edward McGrath, S. J., and others will speak.

The men were exhausted from exposure, and weak from lack of food and water. A second boat, with nineteen men aboard, is still adrift to the southward of Sable Island, and it is thought a third boat, possibly in charge of Captain McDonald, may also have been put off from the burning Columbian. Captain McDonald is not known to be in the second boat to have left the burning vessel, and faint hope is held out that he may have escaped in still another boat.

The Columbian's survivors were too weak when rescued to help themselves and one of the Franconia's boats went over the side to their aid. The Franconia's men rowed desperately toward the drifting boat, eagerly watched by hundreds of the Columbian's passengers, who lined the rail to witness the rescue.

After picking up the men, the Franconia spent the rest of the day searching for drifting survivors, but at night abandoned the hunt and resumed her course for Boston.

The thirteen men rescued by the Franconia were the only known survivors of the Columbian's crew of between sixty and seventy, as estimated by the officials of the Leyland line. The identity of the burning ship remained a mystery from the time the North German Lloyd steamship Seydlitz reported having sighted her on Monday until the Franconia picked up the survivors. The Seydlitz remained in the vicinity of the blazing hull all day yesterday in a vain search for members of the crew.

The eastbound liners Manhattan and Havelford, which the Franconia's wireless picked up, sent back word they had changed their course and were headed toward the burning Columbian.

**Needlework Guild Opens
Annual Session Tomorrow**
The District Branch of the Needlework Guild of America will meet tomorrow morning at 10:30 in the ball room of the Raleigh and will hold a reception to national officers at 4 o'clock in the afternoon in the same place.

Mrs. Truman Newberry, national president of the guild, will preside at the business meeting in the morning, when representatives from many of the 211 branches of the guild will make short reports. Miss Mabel Boardman, vice president of the District branch, will act in the place of Mrs. Henry Arnold Peckham, the local president, who is at present in Europe.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson is honorary president of the local needle workers.

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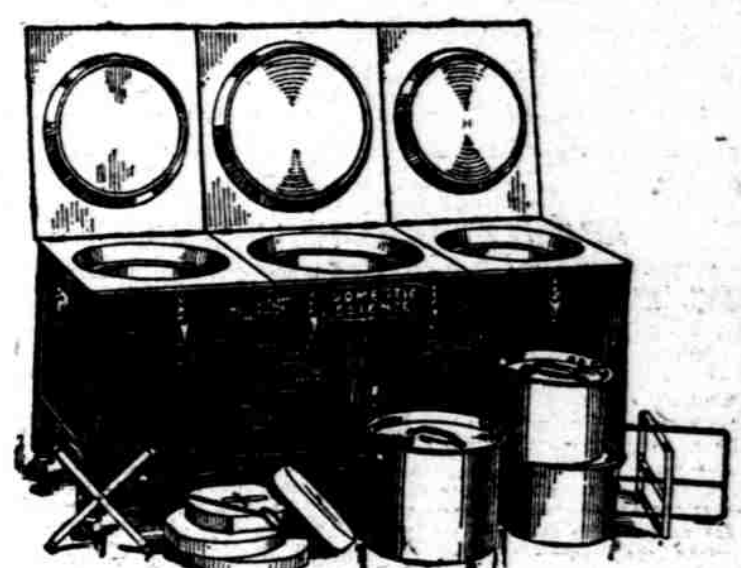
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